

## ARRESTED FOR SHOOTING, MAN GETS FREEDOM

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 15.—Because neither county attorney nor sheriff would sign a complaint, Bert Hens walked out of the county jail free. Hens had been arrested in connection with the fatal shooting of Edward Horvath, at the home of Hens's wife's parents, December 10. Although witnesses at the coroner's inquest had said that the shooting was an accident, Hens was held in the night, one witness said. Hens told him before dying that the shooting was an accident, and refused to make any further statement. Hens also insisted the shooting was accidental. Hens had been held on a coroner's warrant.

## BLOODED STOCK IS BEST, SAYS POULTRY MAN

El Paso and the southwest have natural advantages in making poultry raised in this section, declared R. A. Mitchell, former poultry husbandman of Iowa State University, and director of the El Paso Poultry Association. To do this, however, it will be necessary to get rid of the blooded chickens and to see that they are properly fed and housed and otherwise cared for. He suggested that artificial light to increase egg production, because it would keep the birds active five or six hours per day longer, cause them to take more food to enable them to produce more eggs.

Lack of experience has been the cause of more failures in the southwest than anywhere else, he said. "This applies principally in the case of handling hatching flocks, which generally are managed by inexperienced persons who go into poultry raising," he said. While such a person is gaining experience he is almost certain to have financial losses. It would be best to get blooded chickens and to keep them entirely of blooded chickens, careful raising is necessary.

It is said that a flock of Leghorns from 450 chickens to 100 after he had taken charge of a poultry farm near El Paso four months ago.

**Culling is Important.**

"A farmer on one side of a road could be making profits from chickens of one breed and in a specific manner," Mr. Mitchell said, "while another on the opposite side of the road, who is not so careful and giving the same care, could be losing money. One flock of hens would need culling."

To better standards, he suggested that Texas adopt a plan provided constant in laws and regulations of the state university visit farms and give demonstrations in proper husbandry.

Proper husbandry is another essential to success. In El Paso, he said, "hens should have not less than 2 1/2 square feet of space each. It is in the housing that climatic advantages of El Paso would be reflected, he said, and that probably it would be unnecessary to keep hens housed more than a few days at a time in the southwest."

**Remedy for Ring Bugs.**

"Care must be taken in El Paso county to protect chickens from mosquitoes," he said. "Hens scratch infected mosquito bites, causing sore heads, and then chicken pox. To protect against mosquitoes wire netting and screens, wire should be placed over the chicken house, and strips of cloth should hang down over openings."

It would be well to give salts and sublimates to chickens, beginning in July and continuing until October. A treatment of salts for every 16 hens and four days later a similar amount of sublimates are recommended. To be continued in the same alternating manner at four day intervals until October.

Blue being in a chicken house can be killed, he said, by saturating the walls with gas drippings, which is better than crude oil because it last longer. Blue ointment and grease is best if blue bugs are on the hens, he said.

L. B. Ford presided at the meeting.

**EL PASO HUNTER RETURNS.**

T. E. Cunningham of El Paso and J. E. Blair of Santa Rita, N. M., returned Tuesday from two weeks hunting in the Mexico river district. They motored to San Antonio in two days, making the same time on the return trip.

## UNDESIRABLE HORDES SEEK U. S. HOMES

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 14.—Emigration to the United States from central Europe has reached a stage where it is threatening to dump into America nearly 1,000,000 of the "most undesirable" of Europe," says an official of the American state department who has been watching the recent exodus with much concern.

The emigrants are principally from Russia and Poland, and large numbers of them, who are very poor, have been directly assisted with money and advice from America. The correspondent was told. Consular offices are swarmed with their applications for passports and steamship accommodations are inadequate to carry all who have permits to sail.

"There is virtually no check on this movement, which beyond any question must soon be a most serious problem in America," the correspondent was informed. "An effort has been made to keep out the so-called 'reds,' but that, too, is futile for it is impossible to investigate the applicants carefully enough to exclude undesirable ones. The only thing that can be done, it seems to me, is a new immigration law, sharply curtailing this business of dumping the flower-and-outs of Europe upon our shores."

"About all that can be done is to send a department of justice agent to New York and 'warn' the grafters and the more radical promoters of this immigration that they must resort to legal means. Some of them were reading rich rewards out of the passport business—pretending to secure proper papers for guests in hand—have been frightened off, but there are others still at work."

"One of these grafters has moved to Berlin and probably is doing a thriving business. Nothing can be done about it. He is within the law, as far as we are concerned. He may go out and collect any amount of fees for 'assisting' immigrants to secure passports—and whether he succeeds in getting the papers, which cannot be held up if the applicant meets the requirements, or not, we can keep the money. The applicant won't equal."

## ITALIAN WORK OF REBUILDING IS COMMENDED

Rome, Italy, Dec. 14.—The American ambassador, Robert Underwood Johnson, who has returned from a visit to the Piave, Isonzo and Asiatic sectors of the Italian war front, including much of the devastated region, declares that the Italians are accomplishing a great feat in their efforts to make these war areas again fit for habitation.

"In April I saw the devastated regions of France from Chateau Thierry to Rheims, an awful sight which may be commended to those who are willing to take the risk of another great war. Here for a few barracks and isolated pieces of repair little had been done to rebuild," he said.

"Today in the midst of equal devastation, there is hardly a town in Italy in which 25 percent of the houses have not been repaired or repaired for occupancy, and the proportion is usually from 65 to 85 percent. The refugees, most of them still living in the government barracks, are hard at work. New houses on hand-made Italian models are going up every week. The second story may be under construction, but the first has walls that are rooted and made habitable for the time."

"The machinery for silk and cotton manufacture was all carried off by the Austrians. Most of the inhabitants have had to build at the bottom, but they are used to the conflict of nature, and with fairly normal conditions and a good harvest or two, the region will be well restored."

Ambassador Johnson compared the Italian battlefront with that of the American civil war, and declared that nothing at all comparable to the American war was more difficult than the task which the Italian war front presented. The Italian war front was not to be mentioned with those "hard lands" that form so strong a defense for the United States.

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## HOROSCOPE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1920.

UNFOLDING stars rule today. According to astrologer Mark Saturn and Jupiter are all adverse. Since Saturn, the principal ruling planet under Capricorn, dominates so strongly at this time there may be a general sense of depression and discouragement.

The power of Saturn, generally counted evil in its tendency to separate persons from all they hold most precious, is declared to be in reality beneficial since it brings its subjects to a spiritual understanding.

Physicians and surgeons come under a sway making for extreme activity, overwork and weariness, but they will gain much financially.

The government of the planet is exceedingly threatening to domestic happiness. Better standards of marriage must be observed, the more delicate, and this is the next problem for women to take up.

Uranus will have an especially strong influence on Washington at this time, astrologers forecast. This time, astrologers forecast. This time, astrologers forecast.

Decline in certain prices will bring joy to the many and regret to the few early in the spring.

Persons whose attribute it is to should not speculate or risk any large amount of money. They should be careful of letters and writings during the coming year.

Children born on this day may be careless and extravagant. They are likely to be gifted, energetic and lovable. (Copyright, 1920, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

**AUTO DEATHS INCREASE IN 1919 CENSUS REPORTS SHOW**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Deaths from automobile accidents continued to show an increase during 1919, with a total of 7943 for the census bureau's registrations area, comprising about 80 percent of the country's total population, according to statistics just completed by the census bureau.

## BITS OF BYPLAY

By LUKE McLUKE

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**OUCH!**

THOUGH Luther Burbank's on the dot.

At evening things, we will agree. We serve hope that he will not cross the mosquito and the bee.

**PAW KNOWS EVERYTHING**

Willie—Paw, what is right before me?—The \$1 gas bill you got in the 10 cents worth you burned during the month, my son.

**FACT!**

Though this rhyme isn't funny it is real truth, I'll say. When you hurry for money, There's the devil to pay.

**WUFF!**

"I saw here that Americans spend more for tobacco than they spend for bread," said the old lady, as he looked up from the newspaper he was reading.

"That can't be a fact," commented the greenhorn, "I know a lot of men who make the makings from their friends."

**THE ROOSTER**

"That rooster is a pest," said Lem. "The best bird makes a great mistake. For he wakes up at 2 a. m. And thinks it's time for gams to break."

**HAW, HAW!**

The giraffe is the only creature that never makes a sound," said Smith.

"That's the only sound," replied Jones. "How about the woman you give your seat to when you are in a crowded street car?"

**BLESS HER HEART!**

Fair woman is a ragsman. She encourages me by selling charms. We don't think in go to war. Yet she is still called to arms.

**Well, That's What We Meant!**

Luke McLuke says there are 676,000,000 ways of cutting into trouble besides talking too much, but he might have added none any more sure of results.

**HO, HUN!**

What good did it do Lamon Ica, of Middleborough, W. Va., to change his name to Lee Lee? His name is still "L. Ica."

**GUSH!**

We have just learned that Ice Beard is on the faculty of Central College, Conway, Ark.

**FIRM IS FIRM**

The Kill & Slaughter Coal company operates a mine at Coalfield, Tennessee.

**STRANGE!**

This little rhyme will cause no mirth. It may excite a sigh. With even the cheapest thing on earth. Why is our pork so high?—Luke McLuke

**This query may increase your fun:**

Though you do not know why With custom cheaper than for years. Why are women so high?—Canton (Ohio) News.

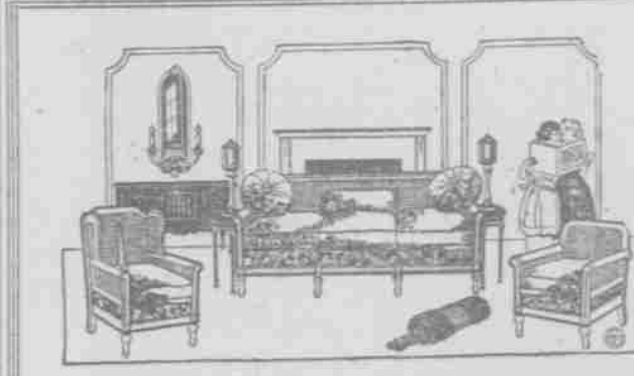
**WHAT'S THE FARE TO MUNCH?**

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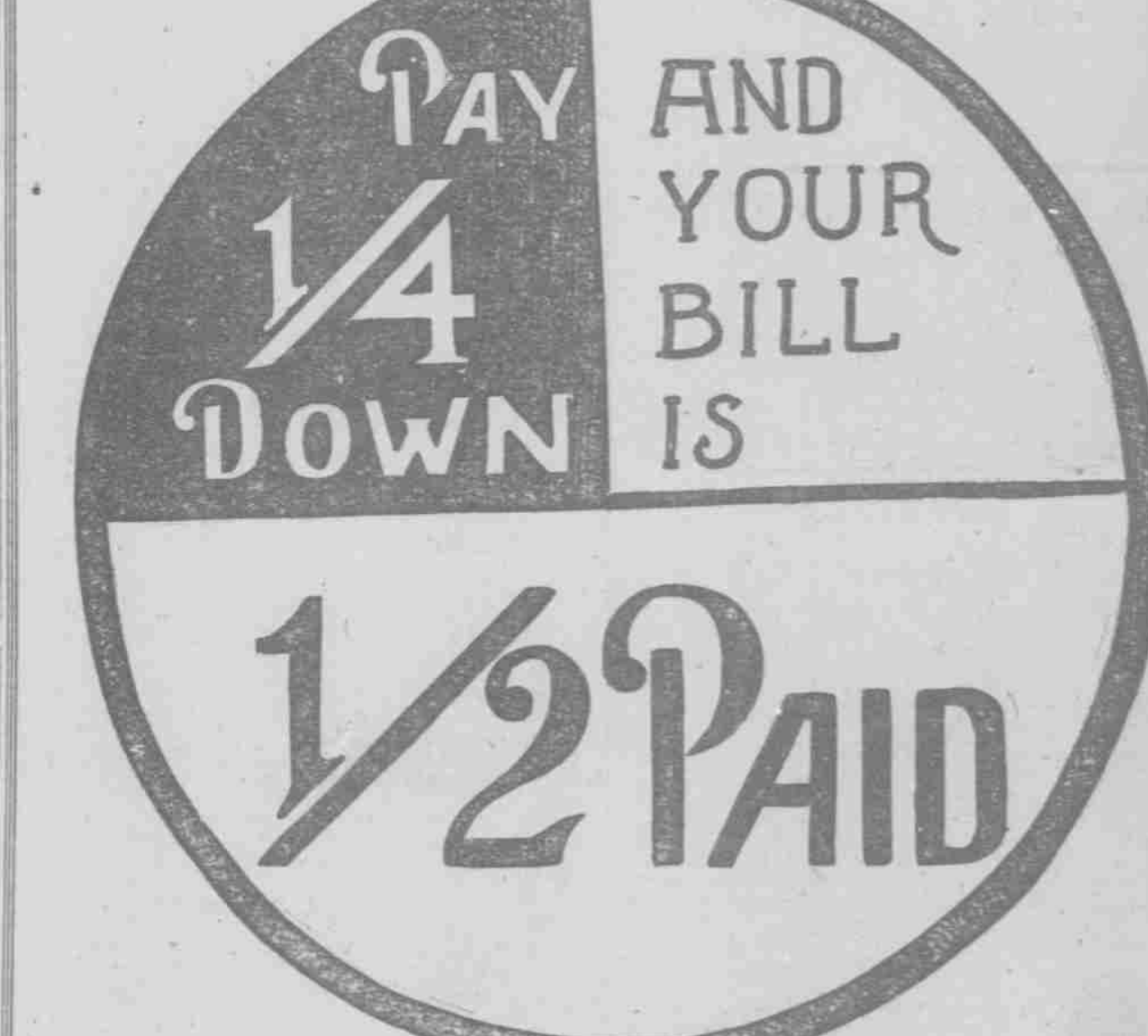
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**Lack Of Rain Hampers Work In Pecos Oil Field**

Pecos, Texas, Dec. 14.—Contrary rains fell to other sections of the Pecos valley but which refused to strike eastern Loving county have caused Pinaldome Oil company to install a gasoline engine for its standard rig to be erected soon. Although the past summer and fall have been the "driest" for 15 years, earthen tanks erected by the company on the drilling site have failed to fill.

The impression that they have gone to seed. And a man who is shaving himself with a dull razor can't be blamed for talking like the old Hick.

its first drill down 400 feet and is making rapid progress. This well is eight miles southwest of the Grant well in Pecos county, which is providing fuel oil for several rigs from a hole only 32 feet deep.

L. M. White of the Pecos Oil Co. company is here to be present when work is resumed on No. 2 well in Loving county, following the erection of a standard rig. The drilling was stopped at 325 feet when a good showing of gas was had.

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